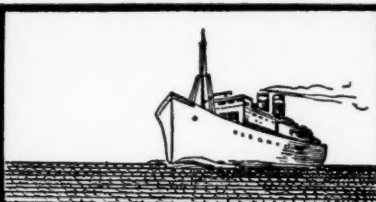


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Forget It

Remember how much matter there was printed in the stamp papers during and after the collapse of the stock market in 1929 and following the depression. How everyone acquainted with stamps pointed out to other folks that stamps held their head and proved a better investment than stocks and such things.

Remember that Arthur Hind was credited with the statement to the effect that his stamp collection had proven one of the best of all his investments.

Then Forget the present or recent flurry in the big gambling mart in New York and stick to your stamp collecting and stamp business. Our hobby is sound, collectors will continue to collect and to buy if you offer them choice things and wanted items. Study the trend of collecting and stick to your business. For most of us it don't make a bit of difference whether stocks go up or down so long as we have our daily bread and butter and a place to eat and sleep. Let's tend to the stamp business.

See You at Akron

We have been assured by our friends in Akron that it will be perfectly safe for us to attend

The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor.

GEORGE W. LINN

their meet this year. We thought for a time that our stealing their club president might have aroused a wave of resentment that would make a visit unpleasant but Bob Richardson says he will guarantee us safe escort.

Catalog of France

In line with our talk last week about dealers picking countries or specific groups of stamps and developing a reputation for being able to supply such stamps, we are in receipt of a small catalogue of FRANCE. This is a handsome little booklet of 36 pages and cover listing and pricing all of the stamps of France. The catalogue is well illustrated and describes and prices the stamps both used and mint. It is published by Lesgor and Reel, 80 Nassau Street, New York. We regret that we do not find a price mark on the catalogue

but can recommend it to anyone interested in these issues.

We predict that more and more dealers will follow the practice of issuing lists of this nature and we fully believe that eventually, prices based on such lists will become more stable and sound than in the past.

Scott's Not For Sale

After reading statements in several other stamp collectors publications to the effect that the Scott Stamp & Coin Company was being offered for sale, we finally printed such a statement in our issue of two weeks ago.

Some time ago we saw confidential correspondence which clearly indicated to ourselves that the business was being offered for sale, but having no direct information to that effect we observed the usual standards of the

newspaper profession and kept our information to ourselves. Since that time the statement has been printed in many other papers and we took the liberty of quoting from them altho without direct information from Scotts.

Now comes word from Mr. Hugh Clark and we quote as follows: "The Scott Stamp & Con Co. is not for sale nor do I plan to retire. I am at work on plans looking toward the revision both of methods and scope of our business. Just what the details will prove to be when completed, I am not at liberty now to reveal."

Much Choice Material at Auction

The catalog of the Uptown Stamp Company of New York as announced in their advertisement last week is chock full of fine lots of United States stamps. The catalog is at hand and certainly should show something for every U. S. enthusiast. The Cosmos Stamp Company of New York offer an auction catalog in this issue. They tell us some very choice things in many countries are in the sale.

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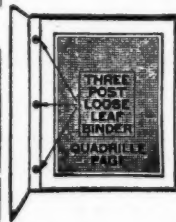
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In Defense of Bavaria

By WILL HERRING

ON THE first of November, 1849, at the University printing shop in Munich, the first stamp issued by Bavaria was printed: the ONE KREUZER, black, designed by Peter Haseney and engraved by F. J. Seitz.

On the 25th of March, 1920, seven days before the postal system was taken over by the German post office department, Bavaria issued the Madonna set. The Madonna stamp, symbolizing the Patron Saint of Bavaria, was designed by Sigmund von Weech and Typographed by the Hambock printing plant.

During the 71 year interim between the above dates Bavaria issued some 273 major varieties of stamps including the postage dues and officials.

To most of us April 1st, 1920, marks the end of the postal system of Bavaria, which she had so jealously and proudly maintained for seventy-one years, even during the precarious years around 1870 when most of the other German States forfeited their postal systems to Germany.

But in my opinion the postal system of Bavaria still exists. Of course, officially, the German post office department is the only one in force, but in spite of that fact there have been stamps issued since 1920 which, although they may have Deutsches Reich in some part of the design, are to my way of looking at it, symbolically Bavarian issues.

Discounting the many stamps which were designed by Bavarians, let us look at the ones which have in their design something which marks them unmistakably as Bavarian. Perhaps not intentionally, they nevertheless show that Bavaria is still a very important part of Germany, which still manages to keep its place, philatelically, with the rest of the world.

First there is the Munich Industrial Fair issue of April, 1922. Then in May, 1925, came the Munich Exhibition issue; On September 1st, 1934, came the Nazi Congress of Nurnberg issue; on January 6th, 1936, the 12th Anniversary issue of the Putsch at Munich in 1923. Among the semi-postals there is the Coat of Arms of Bavaria issue on December 15th,

1925; then on November 1st, 1933, came the Wagner set; on October 4th, 1935, the 25pfg. value of the Costume set; on June 22nd, 1936, the Brown Band from Munich; on October, 1936, the Winter Charity set; and on July 27th, 1937, the Brown Band overprinted.



Besides these symbolical "new issues," as you might say, which are issued from time to time, the past postal issues of Bavaria have all the "earmarks" of being a very collectible country.

For instance, you have almost every possible phase and type of stamp collecting that you might be interested in, embodied in the postal issues of this one country.

Sounds like a rather broad statement, doesn't it? Well, without going into too much detail, we will enumerate the types of collectible items issued by Bavaria.

1. Regular postal issues—major varieties.
2. Regular postal issues—minor varieties.
3. Tete-beche pairs.
4. Railroad stamps—perforated E.
5. Airmail Stamps.
6. Charity Stamps.
7. Booklet panes.
8. Surcharge varieties.

9. Used in different country (Sarr, Germany) overprints.
10. Number cancellations (on early imperfs).
11. Town cancellations.
12. Railroad or "Bahnpost" cancellations.
13. Fieldpost cancellations.
14. Shade varieties.
15. Paper varieties.
16. Watermark varieties.
17. Postal cards.
18. Letter sheets.
19. Postal Money Order cards.
20. Symbolic "New Issues."

In addition to all these types of collectible postal items issued by Bavaria, the historical background of the country and its rulers is very interesting and is most effectively described by Henry Cannon in his "Ludwigs of Bavaria."

With all this "food for thought," I would like to suggest that you investigate the philatelic possibilities offered by beautiful, historical Bavaria.

New Republic

Another change of government which can be expected to be marked by postage stamps will be the Irish Free State becoming a republic to be known as Ireland (or Eire as it is spelled in gaelic, the national language). Since the present stamps are worded "Eire" there remains only the necessity of changing the watermark, which at present is the initials of "Saorstát Eireann"—meaning "Irish Free State." The change of government takes effect December 29th. It is assumed that the newly issued high values on the watermarked paper will have a short life. A constitution commemorative is expected. We are indebted to Chas. F. Bourke for much of this information.

The oldest U. S. First Day Cover known to exist, sold recently at auction for \$175. It was the 1c 1851 on a circular with dated Boston cancellation of July 1, 1851.

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Philippine Notes

By PABLO M. ESPERIDION
Manila, P. I.

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The local Army and Navy Y.M.C.A. was the only place that I know of to obtain a small lot of FD covers with the new surcharged 3c postage due stamps duly cancelled on the date of issue. Are the local collectors raising Cain—and how!

New Philippine airmails will be making a happy landing in our albums soon. Reliable sources indicate the design will be the "flying tamaraw" (water buffalo to American boys), emblem of the plane of Arnaiz and Calvo (Arnacal) who made the epochal Madrid-Manila Flight of May 29, 1936.

At present there are about 6,000 P. I. Clipper stamps of the 10c denomination on hand at the Philatelic Section, Bureau of Posts, Manila. All are straight-edged.

Recently a Philatelic Exchange, first of its kind in the Philippines, was established in the Crystal Arcade in this city. P. I. Clippers are being listed at \$0.40 a set (mint) and Von Gronaus at \$3.75. The famous 18c Pagsanjan Falls error is quoted at \$2 each. Average buying price of used U. S. Clippers downtown is 7c each. I hope the local investors and speculators will not take me "for a ride" for spilling the beans.

Stamp business is surely picking up in this country, and stamp dealers are increasing in number where only two years ago there were only about a dozen.

The Asociacion Filatelica de Filipinas, leading stamp club in the Philippines, has among its resident members a Chinese and a Japanese. Every time these two members meet at the club they never mention the Sino-Japanese war, but talk all about stamps. Which shows that the philatelic world is still safe for democracy.

An American old-timer in the Islands confided to yours truly one day that if he wins on this December's run of the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes he will order a statue from Italy and build a monument to the Unknown Philatelist. I don't believe the members of the Pioneer Phalanx would blush at that.

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"New" Confederates

The October number of August Dietz's Stamp and Cover Collector's Review adds a number of varieties to the growing list of Confederate Postmasters' Provisionals. All are the usual handstamp type, except one from Enterprise, Miss., a woodcut surcharged "10" on "5." An illustration of an attractive hitherto unknown typeset "stamp" of Jackson, Miss., is shown, together with some notes on the "stamp" most important of which is that one style of type used was not known until the 1880's.

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346	4c Brown (1908-09)	1.10	4.50	12.00	30.00	22.50	90.00	
347	5c Blue (1908-09)	2.00	9.00	22.50	70.00	17.50	60.00	
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Long Island Meeting

The Nassau-Suffolk Philatelic Alliance composed of stamp clubs of Nassau and Suffolk counties will hold its annual "get-together" at the Prospect Street School, Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y., on the evening of Friday, December 3rd. Exhibits and awards for senior as well as junior collectors are promised and all Long Island collectors are invited to participate.

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By CHARLES A. KENNY, Washington Times Stamp Editor

The list of postage stamp plate numbers issued during the month of October and announced by the Post Office Department follows:

Plate Number	Denomination	Class	Series	Subject
21714	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1937	200 Curved
21715	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1937	200 Curved
21716	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1937	200 Curved
21717	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1937	200 Curved
21718	3c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1932	400 Curved

The following is a list of postage stamp plate numbers sent to press during the month of October:

Plate Number	Denomination	Class	Series	Subject	Date sent to Press
21549	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 25, '37
21550	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 25, '37
21551	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 28, '37
21552	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 28, '37
21570	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 29, '37
21571	1½c	Ordinary Postage Stamp	1930	400	Oct. 29, '37
21714	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1930	200	Oct. 19, '37
21715	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1930	200	Oct. 19, '37
21716	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1930	200	Oct. 21, '37
21717	3c	Alaska Commemorative	1930	200	Oct. 21, '37



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With the fag end of the year just around the corner, Post Office officials are looking forward to another big philatelic year. Right now, the Stamp Division, under the expert guidance of Third Assistant Postmaster General James W. North and Robert E. Fellers, Chief, Division of Stamps, are preparing the schedule of stamp issues for 1938.

As exclusively announced in these columns last week, the schedule of new issues, as at present, will evidently start with the issuance of the three Sesquicentennial Constitution commemoratives, honoring the three branches of the Federal Government—legislative, executive and judicial.

Along with this trio of new adhesives, together with the second Northwest Territory and the Delaware Tercentenary, the P. O. plans to introduce the new regular, or Presidential Series, which will not be completed until late 1939. There will be 29 varieties of the Regulars and for this reason the P. O. believes it wise not to issue the entire series in '38, because of the large number.

As was announced here two weeks ago, plans are well underway for a series of stamps honoring great American scientists, authors, inventors, educators and others of the Nation's great in the field of Fine Arts. It is known that President Roosevelt is in great favor of such an issue. Nothing definite is known concerning the series or who will be depicted on the stamps. However, with such a great number of notables to select from, there is every reason to believe that the stamps will follow closely the recent Army and Navy stamps, with two or three portraits depicted in a frame for each branch of the arts so represented.

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Already, a preliminary list of such great men has been tendered officials of the Post Office Department, and it is believed that from this list, published below, many of the portraited characters will be chosen.

Musicians: Ethelbert Nevin, Stephen Foster, John Philip Sousa, Victor Herbert, George Frederick Root.

Writers: Washington Irving, Bret Harte, Francis Scott Key, James Greenleaf Whittier, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Ralph Waldo Emerson, James Russell Lowell, Edgar Allan Poe, Mark Twain, Noah Webster, James Fenimore Cooper, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Oliver Wendell Holmes, James Whitcomb Riley.

Painters: Gilbert Stuart, James Abbott McNeill Whistler, John Singer Sargent.

Educators: Horace Mann, Mark Hopkins, John Harvard, Elihu Yale.

Pioneer: Daniel Boone.

Engineers: James Buchanan Eads, Gen. W. C. Gorgas.

Inventors: Alexander Graham Bell, George Westinghouse, John Ericsson, Samuel F. B. Morse, Cyrus McCormick, John W. Draper, Charles Goodyear, Elias Howe, R. M. Howe, Robert Fulton, Eli Whitney, Thomas A. Edison, Orville Wright.

Physicians and surgeons: William Thomas Green Morton, Benjamin Rush, Walter Reed.

Sculptors and architects: Augustus Saint Gaudens, John Quincy Adams Ward, Thomas Ustick Walter, Larkin Goldsmith Meade.

Mathematician and physicist: Elias Loomis.

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Astronomer: Edward Charles Pickering.

It has been announced by the Post Office Department that 230,370 Alaska postage stamp first-day covers were canceled at the Juneau, Alaska, post office on November 12, the date on which the new stamp was first placed on sale. First-day sales at the Juneau post office on that day amounted to \$11,866.50, representing 395,550 stamps. Sales of the Alaska stamp at the Philatelic Agency of the Post Office Department here, November 13, totalled \$17,207.88, which figure represents 573,596 stamps.

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CENTERED In demanding that all
STAMPS? U. S. stamps be centered,
and in pointing to the
uniformly well-centered issues of most
foreign countries as supposed proof that
it is a reasonable demand, we think col-
lectors' efforts are directed in the wrong
direction. It doesn't seem reasonable
from a financial point of view for the
Bureau to go to the extra cost of produc-
ing all our stamps well centered, in order
that the comparatively very small num-
ber sold to collectors shall be superb
copies. It is true that if all stamps avail-
able at postoffices were well centered
that stamp sales at postoffices would
show an increase—but we doubt if that
increase would offset the increased cost
of producing ALL the stamps well cen-

tered. But it seems to me that sufficient
numbers of each stamp issued at present
are already well centered. The trouble is
that they are mixed in with the off-
centered sheets and sold for regular post-
al purposes to non-collectors, and thus
are lost to collectors.

Why not approach the difficulty from
a different angle? Some postoffices de-
siring to increase their stamp sales have
solved the problem in a sane and com-
paratively simple manner. They have
picked out of the stamp stock coming in,
all the well centered sheets and these
have been laid aside for sale only to col-
lectors on request. As a result many
hundreds and thousands of dollars of
stamps are sold to collectors, which if
sold to the ordinary public would have
been used for regular postal duty, replac-
ing other stamps available for such pur-
poses. Requests for plate number blocks
are considered a nuisance at many offices.
Yet we will see a clerk (the same clerk
who complains of having to break a
sheet) rapidly break up sheets and, in
the course of doing so, sell the plate
number stamps to the non-collector who
happens to buy stamps when that par-
ticular portion of the sheet is sold. It
would involve no hardship for those plate
blocks to be laid aside as each sheet is
broken. In dull moments at the win-
dow, the clerk could sort out the off-
centered ones and put those in with the
regular stock, while the collectible blocks
could be laid aside and thus be ready
for the next collector asking for plate
numbers. Certainly all this would involve
some work by the clerks, but it would be
trivial compared to the same amounts of
time they now waste in non-productive
and non-profitable work.

So long as our stamps are printed by
the steel engraving process with the at-
tendant variable shrinkage of the paper
due to its being dampened while printed,
we seem destined to have offcenter
stamps in variable proportions. Since no
other manner of printing stamps offers
anywhere near the security from counter-
feiting as the steel engraving process,
it appears that we must approach the
matter of obtaining centered stamps from
some other angle than to simply demand
that all stamps be centered.

True, an issue can be gotten out that
is centered uniformly. But to produce
it requires much more time and work
and a larger number printed than is
wanted for postal issue, as a large por-
tion will have to be destroyed dur-
ing manufacture. It is simple for a for-
eign country proposing to issue 30,000
of a stamp to go to this extra expense,
when they know that the majority of
that 30,000 are going into collectors'
hands, resulting in a clear profit above
printing costs—no matter what these
latter may be. But for the U. S. to

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A DEAD IN THIS ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE

appears an article on Bavarian stamps in which the author, Mr. Will Herring, emphasizes their collectibility. The article is the result of a correspondence on the subject between Mr. Herring and Mr. Houseworth, the former editor, in which Mr. Herring expressed the opinion that American philatelic magazines were slighting his favorite stamps. He was invited to write something about them.

Mr. Herring says that he will enter into correspondence with any readers who may write him concerning Bavarian stamps in the hope of uncovering as much information about these issues as possible. He lives at 154-12 119th Avenue, Jamaica, New York. More power to the collectors of Bavarian stamps.

Dateless First Day

A reader reports receiving his Hawaiian First Day Cover with block of four, but stamps not cancelled, the only postmark on the envelope being the receiving backstamp of his hometown postoffice.

Both sides in the Spanish Civil War are so nearly equal in armed forces and consequently in great danger from a major victory by either side, that we wonder if the reason both have been issuing so many stamps is because neither is sure how long its government and stamp-issuing powers will exist? The rebels seemed to be way ahead of the government forces in issuing miniature sheets, but knowing the Spanish temperament we can feel certain that if the Loyalists don't make some right away, local patriots can be counted on to make some phonies.

St. Petersburg, Fla., C. of C. will have a cachet Jan. 1 for the 24th anniversary of the first commercial air line in the world. They also announce that all covers sent in for the annual flight of the Goodyear blimp Reliance will be sent out for the next event, the trip being cancelled. Covers for above cachet to York Briddell, St. Petersburg, Fla., Chamber of Commerce.

A philatelic inventor submits the idea of a cover which folds like an accordion and which may be used for a number of events by simply folding it with a different face folded outward. What puzzles us though, is what kind of an album will take care of such covers since when unfolded they are 40 inches long and as much as 9 inches wide? They sound a little on the balmy side, don't you think?

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The plate numbers of the Puerto Rico 3c stamp are 21721-22-23-24. The designers of the stamp were William Schragge, border, and Wm. A. Roach, vignette. The engravers were John Eissler, picture, and Geo. E. Huber, lettering.

"The Straight Edge," monthly journal of the Roosevelt Philatelic Society of Chicago, comes with a most appropriate illustration for its masthead—a real used 2c 1917 with STRAIGHT EDGE.

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Frederick R. Raleigh, mail clerk, writes that the MacLeish is due for decommissioning and that he will hold covers for same, applying on the reverse of cacheted covers the old commissioning cachet, while on plain covers he will imprint this historic cachet on the front, as you wish. He also has a large number of printed embossed covers sent in by W. G. Crosby, and if you will send him the cost of the envelope and the stamp, 8 cents, he will address, stamp and mail one of these to you when the ship goes out. Address it at San Diego, Calif.

Michael Sanders, 727 New Jersey Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., will sponsor cachets for Christmas and New Years, to be cancelled on three naval ships each. Rush covers and forwarding soon.

Robert S. Thompson, 238 S. Main St., Wallingford, Conn., will sponsor a cachet for the shakedown of the Fanning, requiring 8 covers. Deadline is Dec. 27. He suggests you include two extra covers. Also, forwarding.

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Lloyd A. Nace, 3611 Hamilton Ave., Detroit, Mich., will sponsor cachets for the commissioning of the Honolulu and other events. Printed and well conceived, the artist being G. A. Shaw. Rush your covers and forwarding now.

Christmas cachet from the Pollack will be sponsored by Argonauts of the ANCS. Covers now to Alex Hesse, Jr., 449 Troutman St., Brooklyn, N. Y., also forwarding postage.

New George VI Forecast

New sets which will include portrait of the new King in addition to scenes of the colonies are in preparation for Bahamas, Bermuda, Caymans, Cyprus, Dominica, Falklands, Gold Coast, Hong Kong, Nigeria, St. Kitts and St. Lucia, are announced by the Crown Agents.
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Special cachet for opening day of New Jersey Philatelic Federation Stamp Exhibition may be obtained by sending covers ready to go to Stamp Exhib. Cachet Dept., Room 204, 128 Market St., Newark, N. J., not later than Nov. 27th.

Mayor Kelly of Chicago issued a proclamation on Nov. 8th, declaring the week of November 15th to 21st as International Philatelic Week in Chicago.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce of St. Joseph, Mo., was to sponsor a cachet picturing the Pony Express, etc., for the dedication of St. Joseph's new airport on Sunday, Nov. 28th.

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A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

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AFGHANISTAN—Add the following to your 1938 catalog listing:

#310—a. imperforate
(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

ALGERIA—Constantine Commemoratives. Engraved, sheets of 50 (5x10) unwmkd., perf. 12½. Transverse format 40x26mm. Pictorial views of Constantine in 1837:

65c. bright carmine
1f. sepia
1.75f. blue
2.15f. mauve

(R. Roberts)

AUSTRIA—1937 Winter Help Set. Photogravure, sheets of 100 (10x10). Unwmkd., perf. 12½. Upright format 25½x30mm. Numerals of value in each upper corner, date "1937" in lower left and "1938" in lower right:

5gr. plus 2gr. green (nurse dressing baby)
12gr. plus 3gr. dark brown (feeding child)
24gr. plus 6gr. dark blue (helping aged)
1sch. plus 1sch. deep carmine (nursing sick)

(The Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

BOLIVIA—Provisionals. Heralded in our notes of July 10th. Under noted surcharged in black in five lines "COMUNICACIONES D.S. 25-2-37, 0.05"; Unwmkd., perf. 13½:

A77—5c. on 2c. blue green
A77—15c. on 25c. dark blue
A77—30c. on 25c. dark blue
A55—45c. on 1B. red-brown

Air-Post. Under-noted overprinted in red in three lines "CORREO AEREO D.S. 25-2-37, 0.05". Unwmkd. First stamp below is perf. 14, other two are perf. 11:

AP6—5c. on 35c. yellow-green
AP3—20c. on 35c. red-brown
AP3—50c. on 35c. red-brown

Add the following to your 1938 catalog listing:

#305 a. Inverted center
(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

BULGARIA—Photogravure, sheets of 100 (10x10), unwmkd., perf. 11½. Two designs, the one is 21x27mm. and the King Boris design is 26½x36½mm. in size:

1 leva—green (Princess Marie Louise)
2 leva—red-brown (same)
2 leva—red-brown (King Boris)
4 leva—vermillion (same as 1 leva)

(The Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Mourning Stamps. Line engraved, rotary press. Masaryk portraits; lower value, small format, other large format; lower value is printed in sheets of 100 (10x10), while the higher is printed in sheets of 100 (1 row of 16, 6 rows of 14) six blank spaces in right and left columns, are inscribed in engraved letters, with bunch of laurels un-

derneath, in three lines: "T. G. MASARYK ZASLOUZIL SEO STAT":

50h. black
2K. gray-black

(The Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

ECUADOR—Tax stamp overprinted "TIMBRE PATRIOTICO" in large black Roman capitals. Unwmkd., perf. 14:

5c. brown

(R. Roberts)

FRANCE—New Colors. Sheets of 100 (2 panes of 50), perf. 14x13½:

A45—35c. blue green
A45—65c. deep ultramarine

(R. Roberts)

Semi-Postal. Horizontal format, unwmkd., perf. 13. Surtax to be used for public health work:

SP27—65c. plus 25c. brown-violet

(L. A. Russell)

GERMANY—New Winter Help Charity Stamps. Engraved in sheets of 100 (10x10), unwmkd., perf. 14. Transverse format, 29x24½mm.:

3pf. plus 2pf. brown (lifeboat)
4pf. plus 3pf. black (lightship)
5pf. plus 3pf. emerald (fishing smacks)
6pf. plus 4pf. dull green (merchandise)
8pf. plus 4pf. brick-red (windjammer)
12pf. plus 6pf. carmine (buoylight)
15pf. plus 10pf. bright lilac (dredger)
25pf. plus 15pf. gray-blue (liners, Bremen & Europa)

(R. Roberts)

HAITI—Air Post Stamp. Large horizontal rectangle format. Replacing Scott's #407, which we understand is obsolete. Total printing of new stamp, 50,000:

50c. carmine

(The Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

INDIA—Official Stamps. Under-noted, Nasik printing, sheets of 256 (4 panes 64, 16x4) wmkd. mult. star, overprinted "SERVICE":

6a. bistre

Same overprint as above on the new King George VI stamp chirolied by us Oct. 23rd:

9p. deep green

(R. Roberts)

INDIA—Gwailor. Typographed, Nasik print, sheets of 320 (16x20), wmkd. mult. star, re-engraved Die II, King George V design, overprinted for official use:

2a. vermillion

Kishengarb. Photolitho on thickish glazed paper, sheets of 10 (5x2), unwmkd., rouletted 14½. size of stamp 25x30mm.:

A18—2a. bright mauve

(R. Roberts)

Nabha. Under-noted stamp of India, overprinted in one line "NABHA STATE." Wmkd. mult. stars, perf. 14:

A71—½a. green

(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

JAPAN—Further values to go with those noted Aug. 14th. and before. Wmkd. wavy lines, perf. 13x13½:

A35—7s. red-orange

A36—30s. orange & green

(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

LEBANON—Two more values to go with those noted October 23rd. First is same size as the Op50 noted previously and the other, while upright format, is 26x40mm. in size. Small is typographed perf. 13½. Larger is engraved, perf. 13:

Op10—rose (Cedar of Lebanon)

4p50—lake (portrait)

(R. Roberts)

Third American Philatelic Congress Book

The booklet containing the papers read at the Third American Philatelic Congress is at hand, nicely printed and with numerous illustrations. Eleven of the 13 papers were written by collectors of the Chicago area, and the subjects cover a wide range of philatelic material, U. S. predominating. Some papers present the subject in a condensed form while others are complete in detail and are invaluable for reference by the specialist. In the latter category is a splendid writeup on the Chicago Street Car R. P. O.'s by Robert B. Gear. Three articles are on plating various U. S. All the papers should prove of much interest to the student of philately and copies of the book may be obtained from Ralph A. Kimble, Editor, 8118 Dante Ave., Chicago, at \$1.00 per copy.

The new 1000r and 5000r Brazilians show Iguazu Falls, a scene also shown on the current 5 peso Argentine stamp. Perhaps this is the South American counterpart of Niagara Falls?

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B Y B I S T A N D E R

A query was asked over the Pet Radio program as to what was the first stamp that had the picture of a dog thereon. This is an interesting question and if you don't know, look it up, but please do not write to "Linn's" as the answers would swamp the paper. We remember asking our readers some years ago in this column as to just how many words could be obtained from "philatelic" and the answers kept us busy for some time.

Baltimore, Maryland, according to the Associated Press, will very shortly be a transatlantic commercial air base. The Pan-American Airways Bermuda Clipper and the Cavalier of the Imperial Airways will make this southern city their respective ports.

Pleasing collections of Manchukuo are being sold in New York containing the entire country in used condition, cancelled to order, it is true, but everything is there in one fell swoop.

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We wish to apologize to Kent B. Stiles, Stamp Editor of the New York Times, for not mentioning that information was obtained from the New York Times regarding the 46c Honduras commemorating the U. S. Constitution. This was in our column of the issue of October 30th. We always try to give credit to those metropolitan papers from which we get information, but in this case slipped up.

All we hear these days are philatelic sheets. We suppose at the next convention of a national stamp society that the hotel that will house the convention will advertise that their beds will have philatelic sheets on them.

An English dealer advises that stamps of Gilbert and Ellice of the Coronation have been sold out and for that reason used copies in particular have advanced in price.

Ecuador Constitutions

The Ecuador set commemorating the U. S. Constitution have been ordered in generous quantities. The values and quantities of the ordinary postage set are: 2c and 10c, 2,000,000 each; 5c and 20c, 1,000,000 each; 50c, 500,000; 1 sucre, 300,000; 2 sucre, 200,000. The air mail set will be of identical values and quantities as the above. The stamps may be delayed slightly as the government was recently overthrown by a bloodless coup d'etat and President Paez forced to leave the country. We wonder if the prospective golden flow of coin of the realm from stamp collectors had anything to do with the revolution?

Egypt's new King Farouk stamps have proven so unpopular they have been withdrawn and replaced with the old King Fuad stamps until a new Farouk set can be prepared.

The "Telegraph-Journal" of St. Johns, New Brunswick, Canada, has printed an article on the famous Postmaster General Connell, who had his picture put on a New Brunswick stamp in 1860. Connell is defended from recent remarks in a British stamp paper alleging him to be an "ugly, pompous egoist."

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New Cathedral Stamps

By HARRY M. SAVACOL

As part of the new stamp issue by each of the nations of the Little Entente, Rumania issued two beautiful stamps bearing a picture of the Cathedral at Curtea de Arges. The stamps are medium large upright rectangulars and the design is the same except for color and numeral of value. Even the color is quite similar. The 7.50 lei value is blue and the 10 lei value is a brighter blue with a greenish shade.

The picture of the Cathedral dominates the design and is clear and rich in detail. Across the top is the word Rumania in large letters. Just under this and in smaller letters are the words Petite Entente. Immediately under the Cathedral are three interlocking rings. They may have their usual religious significance as symbolizing the Trinity or they may represent the unity of the Little Entente.

The Cathedral on these stamps is located in Curtea de Arges. Curtea de Arges is a small city located on the Arges River. It is a very ancient city, going back to the time when the Rumanians were changing from wandering nomads to a settled people.

This Cathedral is the most famous building in all Rumania. It was built in the 16th century, being completed in 1526. There is an interesting old legend told of its building. It seems that in Rumania in the 16th century there was a superstition current among masons that to keep the masonry of a building from crumbling it was necessary to entomb a living human being in the walls. The head builder had no faith in this superstition but when the walls crumbled badly the superstitious workmen muttered and blamed it on the neglect of the human sacrifice. In their fear and in the absence of the head builder, they decided to seize and bury alive in the walls the first person who passed. It happened that the charming young wife of the head builder came to bring her husband's lunch and was seized and buried alive in the walls. Even today, the superstitious claim on occasion to hear her moans coming from the wall. To this day in Rumania there remains a relic of the old superstition for a builder will catch the shadow of a passerby on a piece of material to be

built into a structure. Without this, ill luck is feared.

As can be seen from the stamps, the Cathedral is a peculiar-looking structure to American eyes. We are not familiar with the Byzantine style of architecture and this is even more queer-looking than the usual Byzantine. The Cathedral is oblong, with a peculiar-shaped addition at the rear. There is a large dome in the center, with a small one on each side and a little to the front. The addition at the back is also crowned with a high dome—a little too high to be in good proportion. Each of the four domes has on its top a pear-shaped stone surmounted with the triple cross emblematic of the Trinity. The interior is plastered and decorated with frescoes.

The Cathedral was made the seat of a Bishop at the beginning of the 19th century. It was almost entirely reconstructed and reconsecrated in 1886.

The study of this Cathedral, almost unknown in America, but so important to the people of Rumania, makes us feel that we know them better. The study of the Religious Type stamps does much to cultivate World Friendship and helps lay the foundations for an enduring peace.

A recent bulletin sheet of the Mint Sheet Brokerage Co. indicates a demand for the Farley sheets, the 4c, 7c, 8c, 9c values of the Parks being bid at over 50% over face and better, with no offers. The 1c Century of Progress sheets of 25 have reached 41c to 44c per sheet.

There were 45,240 postoffices in the United States at the last count. That makes well over 100,000 varieties of postmarks available to collectors of current postal markings. Anyone trying for complete collection?

The Collectors Club Philatelist for October includes a very thorough article by Geo. S. Hill on the U. S. military postmarks in Puerto Rico in the early days of American occupation during the Spanish-American War.

Social Security files turned up a man named E. Pluribus Unum Brown, and if that coin motto is good enough for a name, we wonder when someone will name their little darling in stampic terms. Just think of: "Off Centered Smith" or "Imperforate Jones"!

The design of the new Australian stamps commemorating the 150th anniversary of the settlement of Sydney Cove, New South Wales, shows Captain (later governor) Phillip and his party on the shores of the cove tasting water from the Tank Stream. It was the presence of fresh water at that spot that decided the permanent settlement of Sydney. The design is from a painting by John Allcot.

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BUREAU EYE

Burton Klein of Vincennes, Ind., shows me an Electric Eye item on a Bureau Print issue. It was from Bridgeport, Conn. We have heard of several but this is the first we have seen. While on the subject but in the general field, we came upon one from Batavia, N. Y. in U-12 type.

T(HR)EE OAKS, MICH.

It is not often we mention plate breaks on local type precancels but this one was out of the ordinary, and somewhat similar to the famous Minneapolis break. We always hesitate mentioning breaks because it seems that quite a few collectors are more than eager to magnify our least little hint about breaks, and start showering us with a lot of stuff with little nicks out of the plates. I remember one book I was offered of about a hundred ordinary precancels, each had a nick out of a letter or one of the bars, and priced at from three to five times its value just because of these nicks. Getting back to our knitting tho, this Three Oaks break occurs on its U-8 plate. Something seems to have gouged a channel right through the plate, taking the letters H and R, also cutting the line above and below these letters. It just missed MICH. There are a few traces of metal printing in the channel

cut out but no trace of letters show. A nice break for some one who gets a lot of Three Oaks items to look over.

NORRIS, TENN.

Came across a 9c ord. with a cancellation on it from this place. Might be a precancel but I took it for a provisional. Norris is not mentioned in the catalog nor the one-horse atlas I have. Is this the place where the dam was built? Tenn. collectors please note.

NOTES

The Mid West Precancel Collector came in last time with a 1c endwise coil from Lebanon in its U-120.—A friend of mine, who does not like to sign his name, sending me items of interest every now and then, came thru last week with a cover bearing a 1/2c and 1c ords. from Aiken, N. C., in U-122.—A 3c Wisconsin from Batavia, N. Y., in U-120 was a last week discovery also.—How many of you precancel collectors know there is a Hollywood, Fla., well there is, have a 1c ord. from there in U-44. It also uses U-121 type.—C. W. Sachs has passed the 15,000 mark in his Bi-Centennial collection.

Centenary Exhibition Plans

Colonel H. Wood, new Editor of the London Philatelist, has proposed some new and revolutionary plans for the exhibition to be held at London for the centenary of the first postage stamp in 1940. The plan calls for exhibits by invitation of the committee, without any charge to the exhibitor. It is hoped that this arrangement will result in an exhibition of much more interest to the general public, as the dull specialized collections would be limited, if not excluded. Previously, so long as an exhibitor paid the cost of the frames, his exhibit was practically limited only by his own decision.

Two of the new Dominica George VI stamps, the 2d and one shilling values, will have a view of the Boiling Lake, a curiosity of the island which was the scene of a short fiction story in the November 13th Saturday Evening Post. Recommended to Br. Colonial collectors.

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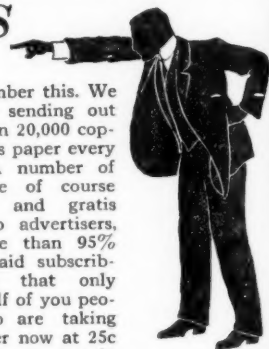
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